Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House and Senate met in joint session to count electoral votes.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages \$181-\$238

Measures Introduced: Twenty-five bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 167–191, S.J. Res. 4, and S. Res. 10–11. Pages S211–12

Measures Passed:

Relative to Israel: Senate agreed to S. Res. 10, recognizing the right of Israel to defend itself against attacks from Gaza and reaffirming the United States' strong support for Israel in its battle with Hamas, and supporting the Israeli-Palestinian peace process.

Pages S181–83

Production of Documents: Senate agreed to S. Res. 11, to authorize production of documents to the Department of Defense Inspector General.

Pages S237-38

Joint Session Senate Tellers—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the order of Tuesday, January 6, 2009, with respect to the announcement of members appointed to be Senate tellers for the Joint Session on Thursday, January 8, 2009, be modified to reflect that Senator Schumer will replace Senator Feinstein.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Stuart Gordon Nash, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general. Page S238

Messages from the House: Page S208

Measures Referred: Page S208

Measures Placed on the Calendar: Pages S181, S208
Measures Read the First Time: Pages S208, S238

Executive Communications: Pages S208-11

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Additional Statements: Pages S207-08

Amendments Submitted: Pages S235-37

Authorities for Committees to Meet: Page S237

Privileges of the Floor: Page S237

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:31 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Friday, January 9, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$238.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

CBO AND ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) Budget and Economic Outlook, after receiving testimony from Robert A. Sunshine, Acting Director, Congressional Budget Office.

ENERGY SECURITY CHALLENGES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine current energy security challenges, after receiving testimony from Dianne R. Nielson, Utah Office of the Governor, Salt Lake City, on behalf of the Western Governors' Association; and Kit Batten, Center for American Progress Action Fund, Eric Schwartz, Energy Security Leadership Council, and Karen A. Harbert, Institute for 21st Century Energy, all of Washington, D.C.

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Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine